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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Steven A. Weiss
SERIAL NO.: 09/660,995
FILED: September 13, 2000
FOR: Gaming Device and Method
Having a Plurality of Serially
Dependent and Independent
Bonuses

ART UNIT: 3714

EXAMINER: Nguyen, K.

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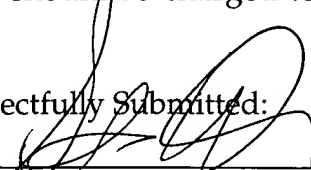
It is sincerely believed that the appended amendment overcomes the Examiner's final rejection of this application such that there is no need for an appeal herein. However, in the event the Examiner believes that the only resolution to this case is to forward it to the Board, undersigned respectfully appeals the final rejection dated August 12, 2004 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this case on to the Board for appeal purposes.

Applicant hereby appeals the final rejections in the above-identified case as set forth in the final Office Action dated August 12, 2004. More specifically, applicant hereby appeals the final rejections of claims 10 and 11.

Should the Examiner feel that this case should be passed on to the Board, the fees due with respect to this Notice of Appeal filed herewith should be charged to deposit account 11-1734, attorney docket number 30150-pa.

Dated: February 12, 2004

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